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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2005/020148	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 27 October 2005	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 107584674
TITLE OF INVENTION AN IMAGE-PROCESSING APPARATUS, AN IMAGE-FORMING APPARATUS, AND A PROGRAM		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Takahiro IKE and Masanori HIRANO		
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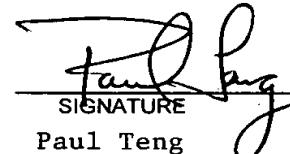
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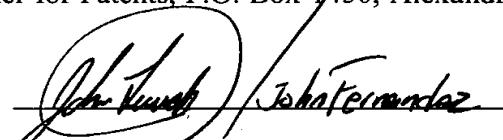
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